

**PATENT APPLICATION**

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OF MAKING AND USES RELATED THERETO

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

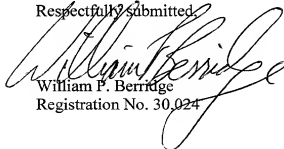
**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 24-151 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter  
contained therein.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-23 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 24-151 are  
deleted. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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